Phil 104, First Paper Assignment

Maximum Length: No more than three pages, double spaced, 12-point font, one-inch margins

Due: Monday, September 20, by 10:10am (before the lecture starts). Please hand in your paper, in person, to your GSI. *Please see the syllabus for other relevant policies*.

If you are seriously considering dropping the class, or changing your grading option, please say so at the top of your paper.

Answer one of the following:

- 1. Give an interpretation of Aristotle's view that "virtue must have the quality of aiming at the intermediate" (a.k.a., the "Doctrine of the Mean"). Raise what, in your opinion, is a serious objection to the view (so interpreted). What can be said in response to the objection?
- 2. Give an interpretation of Aristotle's account of the extent to which incontinence involves ignorance. Raise what, in your opinion, is a serious objection to the account (so interpreted). What can be said in response to the objection?